Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Empire, Michigan

Visitor Trips, Tours, and Other Services



NPS Concession operated passenger service between Leland Harbor and North and South Manitou Island

Manitou Island Transit (Authorized NPS Concessioner)

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Website: www.leelanau.com/manitou

Manitou Island Transit (MIT) is authorized by the National Park Service and U.S. Department of the Interior as a park concessioner to serve the public within Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.

MIT provides boat transportation services between Leland Harbor and North and South Manitou Islands. Services generally run from May till October.

Daily boat trips to South Manitou Island provide visitors with opportunities to visit a lighthouse, hike, picnic, bird-watch, or explore natural and cultural areas on their own. MIT also offers tours of South Manitou Island from their open air vehicles.

Manitou Island Transit also offers a variety of narrated sightseeing cruises, island shuttles, and charter trips to the islands and offshore locations throughout the National Lakeshore. Evening shoreline cruises along the coast are also available. For a complete schedule of this year's cruise offerings, visit their website at www.leelanau.com/manitou.

Authorized NPS Business Partners

Business partners of the National Park Service provide a variety of ways to see and enjoy Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. They offer opportunities to learn, explore, and experience the park through unique and specialized trips, tours, adventures and expeditions. The following commercial, public, and private companies and organizations are authorized to operate within the park under terms of a Commercial Use Authorization or Special Use Permit:

ADVENTURE CYCLING ASSOCIATION	Week long cycling tours.
Missoula, MT	
800-755-2453	
info@adventurecycling.org	
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ALL ABOUT WATER Cedar, MI 269-214-4848 AllAboutWaterUSA.com	Deliver and pick up rental kayaks and stand up paddleboards. Guided kayak tours on Lake Michigan and various inland lakes.
BRONEAH KITEBOARDING Traverse City, MI 231-392-3555 broneah@broneah.com	Kiteboarding lessons.
CAMP TANUGA Kalkaska, MI 231-258-9150 camptanuga.com	Group camping tours.
CHERRY REPUBLIC Glen Arbor, MI 1-800-206-6949 info@cherryrepublic.com	Conduction a day camp with activities to include hiking, swimming and general exploring of park dunes and trails.
CRYSTAL GLEN PROPERTIES LLC Glen Arbor, MI 231-642-0748 abecker@fimg.net	Canoe and kayak rental and guided eco-tours on inland lakes and rivers. Conducting a day camp with activities to include hiking, swimming and general exploring of park dunes and trails.
CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN RESORT Thompsonville, MI 231-378-2000 crystalmountain.com	Guided day hiking and auto tours throughout the National Lakeshore and tubing trips on the Platte River.
CRYSTAL RIVER OUTFITTERS Glen Arbor, MI 231-334-3808 crystalriveroutfitters.com	Float trips on the Crystal River.
CRYSTALAIRE CAMP Frankfort, MI 231-352-7589 crystalaireadventures.com	Outdoor recreational programs for children and youth.

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THE CYCLERY Glen Arbor, MI 231-334-4420 crystalriveroutfitters.com/the-cyclery	Guided snowshoe, cross-country skiing, bicycle trips.
Fluid SUP Cedar, MI 1-970-688-0549	Stand up paddleboard lessons, guided tours and yoga classes.
THE HOMESTEAD Glen Arbor, MI 231-334-5106 thehomesteadresort.com	Guided nature hikes, cross country skiing and snowshoeing.
HONOR CANOE RENTAL Honor, MI 231-325-0112 honorcanoerentals.com	Float trips on the Platte River.
THE HONOR TRADING POST Honor, MI 231-325-2202 canoeplatteriver.com	Float trips on the Platte River.
LAKE ANN HARDWOODS Lake Ann, MI 231-275-6406 lakeannhardwoods@earthlink.net	Campground firewood vending machines.
LEELANAU ADVENTURES Glen Arbor, MI 231-342-5232 elapaugh@leelanau.org	Outdoor guiding/educational service for front and backcountry camping, day hikes, bicycling on Sleeping Bear Heritage Trail, canoe and kayak trips.

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NORTH SHORE ADVENTURES Beulah, MI 877-442-4294 WolfeOutfitters.com SportFishMichigan.com	Guided fishing on the Platte River and Platte Bay.
PARKLAND PEACE Northport, MI 231-883-2920 parklandpeace.com	Settling of cremation ashes in the National Lakeshore.
SBD TOURS Empire, MI 248-931-9440 sbdtours@comcast.net sbdtoursmichigan.com	Daily excursions – guided nature discovery hikes, bike tours, history walks and private explorer tours.
SIERRA CLUB OUTINGS San Francisco, CA 415-977-5522 sierraclub.org/outings	Guided hiking and bicycle trips.
TRAVERSE TALL SHIP COMPANY Traverse City, MI 231-941-2000 tallshipsailing.com	Multi-day cruises on Lake Michigan waters.

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